MINUTE ITEM

3. LONG BEACH BOUNDARY DETERMINATION, CHAPTER 2000/57 - W.O. 2716.

Following presentation of Calendar Item 26 attached, the Chairman called for reports on the current status of negotiations.

Mr. Joseph A. Rail, Special Counsel for the City of Long Beach, stated that the City Council were still considering the several propositions before them and were interested in trying to avoid litigation. Two members of the Council are against any kind of a settlement, so unanimous agreement is not expected, but the majority of the Council desire to see a settlement accomplished. They have not yet been able to agree upon terms.

In the discussion that followed, Commissioner Carr commented that, while he realized the City Council has a public responsibility to do a good job, the same is also true of the State Lands Commission, and that the Commission could be recused of being dilatory and could be criticized if it did not do something effective about the matter soon.

Deputy Attorney General Jay L. Shavelson advised that negotiations could go no further since the representatives of the City had not been heard from since November 12. The office of the Attorney General is prepared to proceed with filing an action in the matter if so directed by the Commission, but is unable to predict the prospects of success for the negotiations.

UPON MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER CARR, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CRANSTON, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED TO DEFER ACTION UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING FOR CONSUMMATING NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE CITY OF LONG BEACH IN THE ATTEMPT TO REACH A COMPROMISE SOLUTION TO THE TIDELAND BOUNDARY QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 2000/57.

Attachment
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CALENDAR ITEM

26.

LONG BEACH BOUNDARY DETERMINATION, CHAPTER 2000/57 - W.O. 2716.

On November 18, 1959, the Commission confirmed the desirability of continuing further negotiations on a possible compromise resolution of the Long Beach tideland boundary problem.

Representatives of the Attorney General's office and of the Commission's staff will report on the status of negotiations. It is also anticipated that representatives from the City of Long Beach will present information on possible developments since the last regular meeting of the Commission.